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## ROME, ITALY

Our Very Reverend Father General has appointed Father Francis C. Dillon to be Revisor Arcarum to both parts of the Province of California.

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The Pontificio Istituto Orientale is growing fast, reports Father Joseph Ledit, S. J.

His brother, who belongs to the diocese of Troyes, France, and is finishing theology at the French College, Rome, attends classes at the Orientale also.

Father McGarrigle, the librarian, returned to Rome after spending all of December in Esthonia.

A retreat in English to the Holy Child Jesus Sisters, Via Buoncompagni, and to secular ladies in French at the Sacre Coeur, and some articles for "The Chronicle," Father Markoe's monthly for The Federated Colored Catholics of the United States have been woven in with Father Ledit's professional work this year.

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Mr. Anthony Baffaro, now studying Theology at the Gregorian University, wrote and delivered a discourse in Italian, on "The Gospels as a Proof for the Divinity of Christ."

## UNIVERSITY OF

## SAN FRANCISCO

Father Richard A. Gleeson fell ill while engaged in giving retreats at the Holy Cross Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah, and while still unwell returned to San Francisco.

Although by no means well Father Gleeson true to his promise, was the principal speaker at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Carmelite church and Monastery on Our Lady of St. Therese, which is now being erected on the Rio San Jose, beyond the San Carlos Mission, at Carmel-by-the-Sea.

In the presence of His Excellency Bishop McGinley of Monterey and Fresno and a large number of the clergy, Father Gleeson spoke feelingly of his life-long friend, the founder of the monastery, Mr. Francis J. Sullivan, who died last year. Mr. Noel Sullivan, son of the founder and an active worker for the new monastery, was much affected by these references to his father.

**Holy Week Activities.**—"We have eighteen outside places to take care of during Holy Week, not counting the twelve places where we are giving the Three Hour Service on Good Friday and not counting our own Church. We need a great many Confessors during those days. Every available man is taken and we have refused some places. Father Feely was promised even before he arrived."

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Father Keller, A. F. M., Provincial of the Maryknoll Fathers, spoke at all the Masses on Sunday, March 15, soliciting subscriptions for their missionary magazine "The Field Afar." He is said to have received 336 one-year subscriptions, seven two-year and thirteen six-year subscriptions.

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Father Raymond T. Feely, recently returned from Weston, is to be in charge of the High School.

## UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

### New Major Courses

Three New Major Courses are now offered in the College of Arts. A choice is allowed of History, English Literature, Political Science and Philosophy. Hereafter the upper division work required for graduation will be divided as follows:

1. Twenty-four units in the group chosen as the major.

2. A minor of twelve units chosen from one of the other groups. Philosophy as now given in the College of Liberal Arts will be the minor prescribed for all those not majoring in that branch.

3. The remainder may be chosen from other courses offered during the semester.

Hitherto only twelve units of philosophy were taught and all were required to take them; this rule is to be adhered to in future. But new courses in philosophy and the history of philosophy will be added so that those who major in philosophy must take twenty-four units.

The English Literature and History courses will be greatly expanded, and the courses in Political Science will be instituted.

Increased enrollment has made these beneficial changes possible.

### New Library Building

Thursday, March 12, ground was broken for the new library; excavation was finished by March 17, and the laying of foundations commenced at once.

The building will stand close to the laundry and about mid-way between the shrine of St. Joseph and the long ivy-covered adobe wall, which, with the old store-room and the old dining-rooms, forms one of the few relics of the Franciscan domination at Santa Clara.

The library facade will just touch the western edge of the path which runs from the Sacred Heart statue to the shrine of St. Joseph. A long hall will give access to the central reading room which will be 60 by 60 feet with a ceiling 25 feet high. On the right hand side of the hallway will be the librarian's office and on the left side the Faculty reading room. In the rear of the central reading room, there will be a stack room 25 by 60 feet. The law library will occupy a partial second floor. The construction will be absolutely fire-proof, rein-

forced concrete and metal being used throughout.

### College Publications Defended

Under the caption "Should we abolish our publications?" the Editor of the Students' newspaper "Santa Clara" under date of March 19, published a scorching reply to an editorial which appeared in the March 7th issue of "THE MONITOR" of San Francisco. The diocesan weekly had declaimed against all Catholic school publications, terming them "pica-yune," asserting that they are not worth the money put into them, that they are "a manifestation of the American attitude to make every enterprise a private racket," and that they deprive "THE MONITOR" of advertising which it ought to receive so as to be an agency which would promote "union between all Catholics and the Most Reverend Archbishop."

The "Santa Clara" editor denies that his paper and that of "The Monitor" are in competition; they are in separate fields. Each appeals to a different class of readers. Advertisers patronize the "Santa Clara" to get college trade. Moreover, advertising is not the main purpose of the college paper. To give news of college activities is its purpose.

College annuals had been attacked by "The Monitor" as futile advertising, since only those already interested in the College would purchase or examine them. The reply is that while the annuals' primary purpose is not advertising, they actually are a powerful advertisement.

### New Statues

Statues for the Mission Chapel at the University are on the way from Anton Lang and Guido Meyer of Oberammergau. Anton Lang the Christus in the last Passion Play of Oberammergau and Guido Meyer, the Judas, are renowned wood carvers. Meyer carved the two statues for the Mission the subjects being St. Clare and St. John the Baptist. The statues will occupy the lower niches of the chapel facade.

Father Cornelius J. McCoy was among the visiting clergy at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Carmelite Monastery near Carmel-by-the Sea, March 19.

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No substantial change has been noted in Father James B. Henry's physical condition. He continues seriously ill at the O'Connor Sanitarium, San Jose.



## ST. CLARE'S, SANTA CLARA

Three missions were given during the Lenten season, one in English, one in Italian and one in Portuguese.

While the foreign language missions were well attended larger numbers come to the English missions as both the younger generations of Portuguese and Italians are quite conversant with English.

This is the fourth year that these missions have been conducted at St. Clare's and we find them growing each year in attendance and spiritual fruit.

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The Three Hours service will be conducted by Father Francis L. Sheerin and the evening sermons on Holy Thursday and Good Friday will be preached by Father John F. Dougherty.

## LOS ALTOS

When Father Joseph A. Sullivan was made Superior of the Province Mission Band, his place as associate Retreat Master was taken by Father Thomas Flaherty. The average attendance at retreats remains about the same as it was last year, but the contributions of the men have fallen considerably, thus reflecting the disturbed financial conditions of the country.

Retreat dinners for various sections of the state are proving quite attractive as well as helpful in the difficult work of recruiting. Such gatherings have been held in Oakland, San Francisco, Watsonville, Salinas, Santa Rosa, Monterey, with San Jose and other places preparing to do the same.

A prominent Mason made a retreat at El Retiro recently. He was much impressed. Married to a Catholic many years ago by a Protestant minister, he is now determined to have his marriage blessed by a priest, in order, as he said, that his wife might enjoy the consolations of so beautiful a religion.

The attractive wrought-iron railing, painted in blue and gold, which has been placed in front of the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, is the gift of two sisters of Dan Flannery, a departed retreatant.

We hope to begin work shortly on the site of the Shrine of Christ the King. It will grace the highest point on our property. Our Blessed Lord's

hands will be raised in benediction over the Retreat House and grounds and the valley below. The donor of the statue wishes to remain unknown.

## SACRED HEART

### NOVITIATE, LOS GATOS

Father Wilfrid Parsons, editor of the "America," on his return trip from Mexico visited the novitiate and narrated the condition of Mexican affairs. Under the present regime the government has undertaken a new educational program, but has not put up a single school building. Moreover, many of the schools confiscated from the Catholic Church are used not for educational purposes but for museums, government offices and military barracks. In this way the Mexican government does less for education than was done by the Church.

Father Alexander J. Cody, teacher of English at the University of San Francisco and author of several excellent little books, on Feb. 23 favored the juniors with an hour's talk. He spoke on the appreciation of English Literature. He urged preparation for future classes by deriving everything possible from all the subjects taught at Los Gatos. He showed how to teach English with success and interest.

A fire on March 5 completely destroyed the novitiate two-story barn. Originating in the unoccupied rear part, the flames swept rapidly over the roof and through the hay loft and threatened the lives of ten horses. Despite the blinding smoke and the intense heat the horses were saved, and much harness and several farm implements were salvaged. Autos of workmen, machines and tools were removed from adjoining buildings. Hoses saved the harness shop, the buggy shed and the pig pens. Three wagons, four orchard cultivators and various other heavy articles were lost. About three tons of barley and twenty tons of hay were burned or ruined. Throughout the night watchers were needed to prevent the smouldering hay from spreading the fire to the other buildings.

The Los Gatos fire company arrived, but their hose did not fit the novitiate hydrants. The road down to the lower reservoir was black with people who came to look on, and many automobiles jammed the grounds. As a result the orchard was relieved of many oranges, and various other loose articles are missing.

The white stations of the cross that began near the novitiate gate and led to the top of the hill behind the main building have been moved to the less steep olive road half-way up the same hill. The new station road leads into the Los Gatos Canyon and ends at the old reservoir above the shrine at Della Strada. The old stations are being replaced by new ones, the gift of St. Ignatius, San Francisco.

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The concrete walk at the novices' end of the cloister has been poured and roofed over. The addition to the cloister is 50 x 105 feet in length. There will be a corresponding enlargement for the cloister garden.

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Brother J. D. Clancy, the novitiate assistant bookkeeper, was transferred to Hollywood to be porter and sacristan. Shortly after he was sent to Loyola University at Del Rey.

On March 9 Robert Corkery from Spokane began his first probation as a scholastic novice. Brother Corkery has two brothers already in the society.

On March 10 Brother Alvin Politte from Los Angeles and on March 16 Brother Joseph Janson from Dunsmuir, Cal., arrived at the novitiate to begin their postulanship for the brothers.

Brother Joseph Perry has been transferred to Los Angeles and is now refectorian at Loyola University.

On March 5, Brother John R. Moholy, N. S. J. was operated on in O'Connor Sanitarium for appendicitis. In a few days he was back at the Novitiate.

Brother Eugene A. Toner, N. S. J., who began his novitiate in the Irish Province and later came to Los Gatos, is seriously ill in the O'Connor Sanitarium.

### Provincial Visitation

Very Reverend Father Provincial began the visitation of this house on March 4. Urgent business called him North on March 11, but he was back once more on March 16.

In a special talk to the novices on March 25. Father Provincial thoroughly explained the plans for starting the northern novitiate at Sheridan and made a strong plea for prayers, so that the necessary benefactors may soon appear.

## SANTA BARBARA

Every Holy Name Society member pledged himself on Feb. 18th to try to get a new member.

February 10th at the close of the Forty Hours' Devotion, an Eucharistic program, consisting of the rendition of hymns, paper and recitations in honor of the Blessed Sacrament, was presented by the Junior Sodality of the High School, at Dolores Center. Father James J. Hayes is the Director of this Sodality.

Vocation Week, which was enthusiastically observed by the High School girls, opened on Monday, Feb. 16, with a General Communion for guidance talks on the religious and married states, and on the many careers now open to women were given daily at Dolores Center. Rev. James J. Hayes, Rev. Joseph C. De Rop and Rev. John J. Laherty were the speakers.

The Novena of Grace was conducted by Father John J. Laherty; with an afternoon service at 3:15 and an evening service at 7:30.

Father Robert V. Burns attended the funeral of his sister Mrs. Mary Kapp, in San Francisco, March 8th.

Sunday evenings during Lent: The Holy Hour.

Wednesday sermons during Lent: Feb. 18, "The Great Alternative," Fr. Laherty; Feb. 25, "The Aim and Purpose of Life," Fr. Rossetti; Mar. 4, "The Novena of Grace," Fr. Laherty; Mar. 11, "The Novena of Grace," Fr. Laherty; Mar. 18, "The Great Evil," Fr. De Rop; Mar. 25, "The Reckoning," Fr. Burns.

Holy Week Sermons: April 2, "The Holy Eucharist," Fr. De Rop; April 3 (noon) "The Seven Last Words," Fr. Maher; April 3 (Good Friday eve.), "The Crucifixion," Fr. Hayes.

The rainfall up to date is scarcely half the usual amount. The Most Reverend Archbishop has ordered the prayer for rain to be said in all Masses when the rubrics permit.

"JESUIT MISSIONS" promoter in the southern part of the Province, is the new occupation assigned to Father Edward C. Menager.



## LOYOLA UNIVERSITY AT LOS ANGELES

In early March it was said that a first-class, short wave transmitter was being constructed by the engineering students and would be set up in the basement of the Arts Building. It is to be a code transmitting set of 7½ watts power, operating on a wave length of 40 meters, and is expected to be able, under favorable conditions, to exchange signals with stations in the Antipodes.

### Gold Cross Mothers

The Gold Cross Mothers is the name given to the local association of mothers whose sons are members of the Society, of other religious orders, or of the secular clergy. At the first meeting held at Loyola University on Sunday, March 15 at 2:30 p. m., small gold crosses were blessed by Father Harold E. Ring and distributed by Father Maher to the 35 mothers present. At the same place and time the Mothers' Clubs of Loyola University and Loyola High School tendered a reception and tea to the Gold Cross Mothers.

Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the University auditorium terminated the function, Celebrant, Rev. Louis Mulvihill, deacon, Rev. Edward O'Flaherty, sub-deacon, Rev. Howard Donohue, S. J. It is planned to make the Gold Cross Mothers reception an annual affair.

The souvenir program of this first reception shows about 79 families represented in "The Loyola Gold Cross Mothers," while the list of "Loyola Men Consecrated to God" comprises 83 names, of which 12 belong to the secular clergy, 1 to the Friars Minor, 1 to the Vincentians, 10 priests, 40 scholastics and 16 novices in the Society.

March 27, Loyolan debaters will meet those of Stanford University on the subject of "Free Trade." Southwestern University debaters, who have a very enviable reputation for getting the decision, will be met April 2 and 3 by Loyola on the issue of "Protective Tariff."

Father Zacheus J. Maher delivered the St. Patrick's Day sermon in St. Vibiana's Cathedral, Los Angeles, in the presence of 300 members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies Auxiliary.

Bro. Patrick Doyle has been changed to Hollywood; Brother John

Clancy and Brother Joseph Perry have come to Loyola University.

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The students are presenting Monsignor Benson's play, "The Upper Room," during Lent.

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Manchester Avenue is now completely paved and gives a quick and splendid highway to Los Angeles.

## HOLLYWOOD

### Retreat Movement

The Retreat House Building Fund is growing slowly but encouragingly. To this end a Dollar a Month Club is being formed of exercitants.

The Holy Hour for Retreatants and their wives, preached in Blessed Sacrament Church by Father J. H. McCummiskey and Father Z. J. Maher and followed by a reception in the parish auditorium was eminently successful and very notable for numbers and enthusiasm.

A number of movie actresses followed the Exercises of St. Ignatius under Father McCummiskey's direction at the Convent of the Sisters of Social Service, Los Angeles, March 12-15.

A truly beautiful, serviceable and monastic plan for the new Retreat-House has been prepared by Architect Ross-Montgomery. Mr. Francis S. Montgomery and some prominent members of the Laymen's Retreat Association of Los Angeles, expressed much enthusiasm.

Indications are not wanting that very substantial donations will soon be made toward the building fund. In the meantime, Father McCummiskey continues to keep the retreat movement before the Catholics of Los Angeles.

Los Angeles parish priests are co-operating heartily with Father McCummiskey and allowing him to use their pulpits to bring men to the retreats.

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Father Dennis J. Kavanagh, who is beginning once more to enjoy his usual health and strength, has been stationed here as an assistant. He is scheduled to give a Mission at St. Brendan's Church, Los Angeles.

## BROPHY COLLEGE, PHOENIX

March 14, a Father Kino celebration was held at the Catholic Women's Club of Phoenix under the auspices of the Brophy College Men's Association. It was well attended, Mr. Tucker, Professor of the University of Arizona, Tucson, as the principal speaker, eulogized the Society and Father Kino.

The combined pump-house and garage is nearing completion. Defective tiling in the roofs of the college building is being replaced.

Mr. Copeland is just back from the hospital whither he had flown from the "flu."

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The Catholic Open Forum of Phoenix, under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus, has offered the following program for its Spring Session:

March 16, Idea of Faith and Intolerance, Rev. Joseph A. Vaughan, S. J.

March 23, The Blessed Trinity, Rev. Martin Knauff, O. F. M., Pastor of St. Mary's, Phoenix.

March 30, The Inquisition, Rev. Ernest P. Watson, S. J.

April 13, Holy Images and the Saints, Rev. Gerald Ryan, O. F. M.

April 20, The Roman Question, Rev. Joseph A. Vaughan, S. J.

April 27, Religious Orders, Rev. Martin Knauff, O. F. M.

May 4, The Reformation in England, Rev. Ernest P. Watson, S. J.

May 11, Indulgences, Rev. Gerald Ryan, O. F. M.

All are invited. Nothing will be said to hurt feelings of non-Catholics. Smoking is allowed. Questions may be asked, and the speakers will reply thereto immediately.

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The Phoenix Indian Sanitarium receives tubercular Indian children from all parts of the United States. Its spiritual care is a small part of the field covered by Father Robert S. Burns. The usual Sunday Mass is at 10:15. Holy Communion is brought to the bed patients before 6:30 a. m. on week-days.

The pastor of St. Francis Xavier parish, Father William M. Boland, preached the Novena of Grace. One of the attractions in the novena was a painting of St. Francis Xavier, which was executed by a Chinese student in our school at Zi-ka-wei for the Panama Pacific Exposition held in San Francisco in 1915. The painting was sent from St. Ignatius, San

Francisco, by Father Edward J. Whelan, and is set up over a side altar.

Now that St. Mary's College, Kansas, is to serve as the Missouri Province Theologate, some of St. Mary's present high school and college students are seeking to enter Brophy. Many Catholics living in Arizona used to send their boys to St. Mary's.

The State Crime Commission, a group of seventy-five prominent men and women invited by Governor George W. P. Hunt to meet in Phoenix, March 6 and 7, held its convention at the Women's club and was addressed by twenty invited speakers. Rt. Rev. Daniel J. Gercke, Bishop of Tucson, was invited but being unable to attend, delegated Father Joseph A. Vaughan.

Father Vaughan maintained that adult criminals being generally incorrigible, merit less attention than the young. After showing that the purely naturalistic methods adopted by social workers are inadequate to reform the youthful criminal, Father Vaughan insisted that God should be brought back into the schools and that pupils should be taught about their immortal souls and the Ten Commandments. From the frequent applause during Father Vaughan's speech and from statements similar to his expressed by several prominent educators, it was evident that many religious-minded persons were members of the convention.

## MANRESA HALL, PORT TOWNSEND

Brother McCormick returned from Providence Hospital across the way much improved and resumed his duties as engineer and carpenter. He is putting up a confessional in the chapel.

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Two laymen made the first retreat, Mr. Frank Sullivan and Mr. Cronin of Seattle. The second retreat was called off on the request of the two Port Townsend men who had signed for it. A fair number of retreatants are expected for the third and last of the Lenten retreats of 1931.

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A Franciscan Father, who is pastor at Cowlitz Prairie and who was in former years a student at Seattle College, made his retreat here recently.



## MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

### Death of Mrs. Larkin

Mrs. Alice Larkin, mother of Mr. Thomas Larkin, a first year philosopher at Mt. St. Michael's, died in Spokane on February 17. The funeral was held from St. Aloysius church on Thursday, February 19. Fr. Maruca, the rector at Yakima, who was celebrant of the solemn requiem mass, was assisted by Fr. William Donnelly as deacon, and Fr. William Elliott as subdeacon. Mr. Timothy O'Leary acted as master of ceremonies. Messrs. William Weller and John O'Hara were acolytes, while Mr. Toner was thurifer. The choir from Mt. St. Michael's sang during the Mass and chanted the "Benedictus" at the Fairmont cemetery chapel, where the remains were deposited pending the completion of the new Catholic cemetery. Members of the faculty at Mt. St. Michael's, and a large group of scholastics attended the funeral.

### Fr. Leo Martin

Fr. Leo Martin, cosmology teacher at Mt. St. Michael's, is now going to Gonzaga each morning to teach psychology to the junior class. Fr. Mark Gaffney, psychology teacher at the Mount, had been teaching this class since Fr. Sprague was transferred from Gonzaga to St. Joseph's church in Seattle.

### Missionary Society

In keeping with the custom of adopting a different Jesuit mission for each month, all activities of the Missionary society during February were devoted to the Patna mission. Several interesting lectures dealing with the Indian mission were presented during the month by scholastics from the Chicago and Missouri provinces. The spiritual bouquet collected during February for the Patna mission included 1067 Masses, 728 Communions and 671 Rosaries.

### Death of Bro. Catania

Brother Emmanuel Catania died at Sacred Heart Hospital on Sunday, March first at noon.

He was born in Malta on March 16, 1869 and entered the Society at Malta in 1889.

He was taken to the hospital some days before his death and was found to have an abscess in the abdomen, probably from an infected appendix.

From the first his condition was serious. However he rallied and was thought to have a fighting chance.

On Saturday evening the 28th he had a relapse and Fathers Thomas R. Martin and Elliott stayed with him throughout the night. Father Martin stayed with him until the end.

He was a hard working brother, most affable to all and he is missed by all the community.

The funeral took place from our chapel on March 3rd and the burial was at the cemetery at the Mount.

### St. Thomas Day

On the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas the St. Thomas Academy held an entertainment in Bellarmine Hall. Although short, the program was very fine.

## GONZAGA UNIVERSITY, SPOKANE, WASH.

### Founder's Day

Founder's Day was observed by the celebration of Solemn High Mass by Father Rector.

Later the students assembled in the auditorium, where three units for the Cataldo Memorial Fund were presented to Father Rector. One of these was contributed by the students of the University. The donors of the other two were not named, but the units were given in memory of Father DeSmet and of Young Ignace.

The De Smet Medal was also awarded on Founder's Day, the recipient being Hon. John P. Kavanaugh of Portland, Ore., who some years ago attracted nation-wide attention by his work as counsel in the famous Oregon School Law cases.

Father Patrick J. O'Reilly, and the certain Father Louis J. Logue, (N. E.) are giving a mission in St. Joseph's Church, Spokane, March 21-27.

## HILLYARD, WASHINGTON

Strenuous work on lectures to non-Catholics combined with general weak health is sending Father John Van Hoomissen to the hospital for some weeks. Father Paul P. Sauer, Province Procurator, substituted for some time at the rectory and was succeeded by Father John Prange, Port Townsend tertiary, at the conclusion of the Yakima mission.

**ST. JOSEPH'S****MISSION, SLICKPOO**

Every Sunday Father Michael O'Malley goes to Lapwai and says Mass in the Sanitarium and in the church at St. Joseph's Mission.

On the first Sunday of the month and on feast days Mass is said at Culatesac.

Father O'Malley spends one week each month with the Indians.

**ST. FRANCIS REGIS MISSION**

Father Owens after several months duty in St. Aloysius parish, Spokane, has returned to missionary duties among the Colville Indians.

Father Patrick J. Savage has been stationed at Sacred Heart Mission, Desmet, Idaho.

For Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter, the Colville Indians will have a confessor and preacher who knows their own language. Father Ambrose Sullivan is coming for that purpose from Port Townsend.

**ST. STANISLAUS, LEWISTON**

Our parishoners have attended the Lenten devotions very well. Father E. Boll, S. J. has been preaching the Lenten sermons on Wednesday evenings.

We had a short visit from Father Provincial on March 13th.

Father Couffrant is supplying for the pastor of Clarkston, Father Jordan, who is recuperating in the hospital.

**ST. MICHAEL'S ALASKA**

March 20, Father Hubbard wired from St. Michael's, Alaska, that he was leaving for Akulurak, expecting to go thence to Holy Cross and arrive about mid-April after 1200 miles of mushing with dogteam. He has taken 11,000 feet of film and 800 still photographs. The Yukon trail has been difficult. At the Kaltag portage he was caught in a storm and had to sleep out in the open, getting one finger frozen. While crossing Bering Sea ice, he was caught in a blizzard. Tired but cheerful, he hopes to make the next 800 miles in good order.

**Deaths of Ours in the Provinces of the United States**

Rev. John C. Geale, February 20 at Santa Monica, Calif. (Md. N. Y.)

Brother Patrick S. Heaney, March 23, Holy Cross, Alaska. (Calif.)

**Deaths of Relatives of Ours**

Mr. Riordan, brother of Father Joseph A. Riordan.

Mrs. Mary Larkin, mother of Mr. Thomas Larkin, died in Spokane on February 17.

Mrs. Coudeyre, mother of Father Augustine J. Coudeyre, died at her home in France on February 28, 1931.

Mrs. Mary Kapp, sister of Father Robert V. Burns and aunt of Fathers Robert S. Burns and Lloyd R. Burns, March 6.

Mr. James Saunders, father of Mr. Thomas J. Saunders, died at Covina, Calif., March 26.

**CHINA**

"China" for January, 1931, features a visit to a Christian station (a "Christianity" in foreign mission literature) by Kan Shen-Fu (alias Rev. James F. Kearney). Chi Shen-Fu (alias Father Leo F. McGreal) tells of discipline and athletics as administered at Ricci College, Nanking. Father Pius L. Moore tells of H. E. Bishop Galvan's adventures with the banditti. Mr. John F. Magner was sub-deacon during the closing exercises of the solemn triduum held last November in the great cathedral of Zikawei. On Tuesdays, Mr. Carlos D. Simons interrupts his study of theology to teach catechism to some youngsters in a Christian settlement near Zikawei; although he spent two years studying Mandarin, the official language of China, Mr. Simons uses the Shanghai dialect which is as different from Mandarin as English from French. Hu (alias Mr. Francis A. Rouleau) is choir director for college men at Aurora University, Shanghai.



## SACRED HEART MISSION, DESMET, IDAHO

Father Patrick J. Savage has been transferred here from Colville.

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**Desmet, Idaho.**—The Coeur d'Alene Indians for the past six years have assisted at the Holy Hour every Saturday from 4:15 to 5:15 p. m. at DeSmet Mission in Idaho. This day and hour were chosen for the devotion because most of the Indians live on their farms, and it is on Saturday afternoon that they come to the mission for Confession.

The Children from the boys' and girls' mission schools begin the Holy Hour by reciting the rosary in English. Then the rest of the Indians say the beads in their own language. After the rosary they all sing a hymn to the Sacred Heart in Kalispell. At the beginning of Benediction the choir sings the "O Salutaris," and then all the Indians join in the singing of the litany of the Blessed Virgin, which has been sung every Saturday evening ever since the pioneer days of the mission.

## AKULURAK, ALASKA

**Fr. Paul Deschout.**—From Louvain to Akulurak Fr. Paul Deschout used six steamers: from the big Atlantic liner to the mission steamboat "Treca" on the Yukon. He arrived at Akulurak August 28.

On the six-day voyage from Seattle to Seward he met all our missionaries along the line, including Bishop Crimont who came down in the pouring rain to the Juneau dock to welcome him.

Fr. Deschout said mass daily in his stateroom or at the mission stations along the route. At Seward he said mass in our abandoned church on the feast of the Assumption.

From Seward he travelled for two days on the Alaska railroad to Fairbanks. On August 20 he boarded the steamboat "Alice" at Nenana for the trip down the river to Holy Cross, where he arrived August 24. The "Alice," a wood-burning freighter, had to stop frequently to gather fuel from the banks of the Yukon.

Leaving Holy Cross on August 25, he continued down the Yukon for two days in a small boat to Fish Village, one of the villages attended from our mission at Akulurak. There were 3 few huts there and five Eskimo families. A mother begged him to baptize

her child, so Fr. Deschout baptized him and named him Paul. That night Fr. Deschout conducted evening prayers for the natives and heard confessions. The next morning he celebrated mass in the hut where he had spent the night, and gave holy communion to seven of the natives.

He then set out in a row boat with an Eskimo boy and continued down the river for about four hours in the pouring rain. At a small fishing camp where two families of Eskimos were living under one tent he got a cup of hot coffee and some Alaska pancakes, dried his clothes and was just resigning himself to the necessity of spending the afternoon and night in the miserable tent with the natives when he heard the puffing of a motor boat. It was Bro. Murphy with the "Treca," and accordingly it was only a few more hours before they arrived at Akulurak.

**Where is Akulurak?**—The question is often asked. Father Aloysius G. Willebrand, S. J., a missionary for two years at Akulurak, made the following answer:

"St. Mary's Mission is located on the Akulurak, a long narrow slough which flows out from the Kwiklowak, the largest of the mouths into which the Yukon divides at its delta, before flowing into the Bering Sea. About ten miles below our mission it (the Akulurak) widens into a long narrow inlet called the Kwemuluk."

Father Willebrand added:

"Our mission is the headquarters of Catholic missionary activities among the Eskimos of the delta of the Yukon. It was founded in the year 1892 by Father Barnum (Md. N. Y.) and Father Treca, and established at its present location in 1893." The mission has a school for boys under the prefectship of Brother Alfred Murphy and a school for girls directed by the Ursuline Sisters. The mission field embraces most of the Yukon Delta. It includes about 2,000 people scattered in small villages. The largest of these, Old Hamilton, where the only mission chapel is located, has a population of about 70. Formerly Hooper Bay and Kashunak were included in the Akulurak Mission territory.

## KOTZEBUE, ALASKA

Father Lafortune writes:

Your Reverence is undoubtedly anxious to know how this Mission is

getting along materially and spiritually. I thought it timely to close the year 1930 by giving you a complete account of the situation.

This mission was started after repeated demands by the white inhabitants of whom only one is a Catholic the rest being Protestants, Jews or Free-Masons. They disliked the Quakers and had excellent reports about the Catholic Missions in Alaska. Father Delon came by plane to start a Mission here. A building 60'x40' with a 11 foot wall was erected to serve as the Chapel, a hall and the priest's living quarters. The walls were made of timbers 6"x6" spiked together. Later those timbers shrank leaving cracks  $\frac{1}{4}$ " between them. It took me fifteen days of steady work to caulk the whole house. Nevertheless it is the coldest house I ever lived in. During the night the water freezes right on the stove. This is not due only to the walls. The ceiling is one single board and so is the floor. It will take about three hundred dollars to make a warm and comfortable house. In the attic I want to put a thickness of three inches of saw-dust, so that the heat will stay under the ceiling. On the walls outside a thickness of wallboard and a good malthoid would remedy all our trouble and spare us four tons of coal (120 dollars) a year. If the house is still cold, we will put in a second floor. I don't see any way to have any income here for the present. The whites have called us; they are all for us, but they are not Catholics, except one. They are more or less stranded here, living a hand to mouth existence. Later on, the Catholic natives could help the Father a great deal, but I don't think they will ever be able to stand the expense of the coal. For the first time, I will have to depend on the Province. I hope the burden will not be too heavy.

Now about the Community. The breeds seem healthier than the pure blood Eskimos. There seems to be no consumption. On Thanksgiving Day, I had over one hundred of them here and there was no coughing. The pure blood Eskimos here seem to be more healthy than those of Nome and of the Islands. In spite of all, the increase in population is very slight. In other villages, it is still worse. Selawic which is the largest village, will disappear if the mortality, especially among children is not checked. This is said to be due to syphilis which is all over.

But that does not mean we should quit these Eskimos; on the contrary, I am convinced that our religion does more for the health of the natives than all the medicines. It will take some two hundred years for the natives to disappear at the rate they die now. So we have time to do them lots of good. By what I hear, the natives have been spoiled by too much prosperity in the last few years. They don't want to work for the whites, neither for one another, or they ask exorbitant prices. They have tasted the money and now they have a craving for it. At Selawic the government had a hospital. The natives were supposed to supply the firewood. They did not want to do it and the hospital is closed. But I think their prosperity is at an end. The foxes are getting scarce and the hard times will cause the price of foxes to go down, and the natives will have to work or starve, or rather they will have to do without the white man's grub. They have an abundance of food of their own. Inland they can get all the vegetables they want and the best kind of fish. Now they don't cultivate. It is easier to buy from the stores. When they have no more money, they will have to till the soil and take better care of their deer.

Spiritually lots of them are in a bad way. Some marriages are impossible to fix on account of divorces and remarriages. The children are willing to become Catholics. That puts us in an awkward position. Others, especially the men have run into debts to such an extent that they cannot pay any more what they owe.

The population of Kotzebue and the surrounding districts is about 2000, scattered in five villages.

## ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY,

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Mr. Lorenzo M. Malone, Mr. Frederick Coffey and Mr. Thomas Saunders, are to be ordained this summer at the end of their second year of theology.

## HOLY CROSS,

MISSION, ALASKA

Brother Patrick S. Heaney died of pneumonia on March 23.

A telegram to this effect from Father John L. Lucchesi to Rev. Father Provincial was received on March 24.



## HOLY FAMILY MISSION

To save the barn from the coming floods in Two Medicine Creek, a ditch was dug about 1200 feet long and varying in depth from  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet, and although it is narrow the floods are expected to widen it sufficiently and enable it to conduct all the water at a safe distance of 300 feet from the mission buildings. Three weeks were required to finish the work, several teams and a small Caterpillar tractor being employed. The cost was about \$400.00.

Being unable to get a surveyor or surveying instruments, Father Ignatius J. Dumbeck, the Superior, improvised a theodolite from a piece of pipe, a carpenter's level, and a camera tripod. A six foot rule tied to a pole sufficed for a rod.

A new "Majestic" kitchen stove, has been installed at a cost of \$388.70. The old one was falling to pieces and was a great fire hazard.

Brother James I. McGuire is still repairing the windows. The weather has been ideal, so he has not missed a single day for weeks.

## HOOPER BAY, ALASKA

Before receiving the heavy cross of the Superiorship of Northern Alaska, Father Francis Menager was still looking in November for the "big bird," which all unknown to him had crashed on October 12th.

He was then preparing "20 more for First Communion" which would bring the total number to about 80.

The trail to Kashunak (Father John P. Fox's old mission) had been impossible, but he was to mush there as soon as possible "and give the Sacraments to those dear people who appreciate them so much."

"The language is coming better every day and my people are getting to be better Catholics and we are beginning to make a few converts from Protestantism."

A certain catechist is not giving satisfaction and Father Menager was thinking of substitutes: "but the trouble will be in getting them over here; the 'big bird' would be a great help."

## WESTON, MASS.

Father Feely under pressure of ill-health was unable to continue preparation for the ad grad. examination; he was examined at once, and left for San Francisco.

## DEATH OF BROTHER

### JOSEPH MANDALA

By Rev. John T. Corbett, S. J.—Jan. 20, 1931, Brother Mandala was noticed in the act of falling from an apple-tree on which he had been working in our mission garden.

I was immediately notified and sending a summons to Father Lajoie, I hurried to the spot where Brother lay. He gave every sign of being seriously injured and of being in great distress, but although I offered to carry him, he insisted on walking supported by two men from across the creek. By this time Father Lajoie had arrived, and I then took Brother in my car to St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton, putting him in the care of the Catholic Dr. Brennan with instructions to give him the best of care.

An X-Ray examination revealed that Brother's collar-bone and five ribs were broken and that one of his lungs was pierced and that fluid was gathering in the base of the lung.

Though in great pain except when under the influence of opiates, Brother Mandala was an exemplary patient.

Of his own accord, he asked for Extreme Unction and Holy Viaticum and received them with sentiments of Christian piety and resignation from the hands of Father McKenna, pastor of our Church in Pendleton. This took place some time before Thursday morning, Jan. 22.

On Thursday evening, Brother was smilingly grateful for his crucifix, beads, and other devotional aids which I brought him. Brother Giuseppe bore his pains and aches with the fortitude of a Soldier of the Cross and spent his time in prayer communing with Jesus, Mary and Joseph. On Tuesday morning, Jan. 27, I paid Brother a flying visit and he asked me for Holy Communion which I promptly gave him; this proved to be his Viaticum. Returning on Wednesday afternoon Jan. 28, I found him planning on his garden at our Mission. About 6 p. m. on Thursday, Jan. 29, he asked leave to sit up and was permitted to do so by the doctor. But he was no sooner helped to the chair when he realized that God was calling him. An embolism had set in. He was put back to bed to pray through his half-hour conscious agony. Father McKenna was summoned and hurried to his as-

sistance. Some of the Sisters of St. Francis also came in. Conscious almost to his last breath, Brother Mandala gave up his soul to God at 6:50 p. m., Thursday, Jan. 29, Feast of St. Francis de Sales.

On Saturday morning, Father McKenna accompanied the body to the Mission. Our school children met the funeral cortege at the highway and escorted it to the Church. The girls told their beads, the bell tolled, the uniformed cadets saluted and the band struck up the funeral march and played sacred music as the procession moved on ("Lead Kindly Light," "Nearer My God to Thee", etc.).

I received the body at the Church Door and then began the requiem low Mass. In the sanctuary were Father Lajoie, S. J., veteran Indian Missionary, Father Joseph McKenna, S. J., pastor of St. Mary's Church, Pendleton, Oregon, and Father Walsh, secular chaplain of St. Anthony's Hospital, Pendleton (where brother had died). The congregation was made up of a few old Indians, sixty little Indian boys and girls with their teachers, and a delegation of 10 Sisters of St. Francis from their Academy and Hospital in Pendleton.

At the "Libera," I announced that Brother Mandala's mission life had been characterized by persevering work and prayer for the Indians' welfare and that we owed him the gratitude of our prayer for the repose of his soul. I was proud to state that a representative Indian delegation had gone down with their pastor (myself) to Pendleton the evening before to recite the Beads for Brother's welfare in Indian and repeat the same in English for the edification of the good Pendleton ladies present, and that on Saturday morning all our school-children had offered up Holy Communion and the Beads for Brother at Father Lajoie's Mass.

After Mass while I made preparations for the journey to Spokane, the older Indians viewed the body of Brother Mandala as it lay in state. His face was that of a holy person in dignified, peaceful repose.

When all was ready the funeral cortege moved on toward Pendleton, with our uniformed Indian Catholic Boys' Brigade, their band and our girls all in procession. When the hearse reached the highway, six Indian boy buglers sounded "Taps," the children turned back, and we continued to Pendleton.

## THE 20th OF THE MONTH

is the day when

Items for "Province News"

should reach the editor.

Dates, etc., of events are desired.

I reached Spokane with Brother's body, Sunday morning, Feb. 1, where I was met by Father Elliott and the undertaker. We went straight to the cemetery at Mt. St. Michael's where Father Rector and the whole community were gathered at the open grave. The obsequies over, I again offered the Holy Sacrifice for the repose of my Brother's soul. I feel that his intercession will be powerful with God for St. Andrew's Mission.

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Brother Joseph Mandala was born in Pioppo in the diocese of Monreale, Sicily, on April 2, 1862; several members of his family still live there. After emigrating to the United States, Brother engaged in manual labor. Through Father Philip Minacco, S. J., he was attracted to our Society which he entered on March 10, 1905 at Sacred Heart Novitiate, Los Gatos, Calif., where on March 19, 1907, he made his first vows. He pronounced his last vows at Mt. St. Michael's in 1916, Father James A. Rockliff celebrating the Mass.

Brother's main occupations in the Society were cooking and gardening; though in the small residences he had to be a man-of-all-work.

From 1905 to 1908, he was stationed at Los Gatos; 1908 to 1910 at St. Andrew's Mission, near Pendleton, Oregon (among the Umatilla Indians); from 1911 to 1916 as factotum at St. Mary's parish residence, Pendleton, Oregon; 1917-19 at St. Stanislaus residence, Lewiston, Idaho; 1920-28 at Holy Family, Italian National Church, San Jose, California; lastly, 1929-1931, at St. Andrew's Mission, near Pendleton.